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ADVANCE NOTICE

DRUG COURT-RELATED SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT GRANT AWARDS

The 1997-98 California State Budget Act appropriates \$3,000,000 per year, in the current and next two fiscal years (1998-99, and 1999-2000), to be awarded to counties to develop and expand drug court-related substance abuse treatment. The awards will be made on a competitive grant basis per the Budget Act. Eligibility to apply for these funds is limited to the Alcohol and Drug Program Office in each county, but coordination and collaboration with the County Probation Office, the District Attorney's Office, the Public Defenders Office and the pertinent court systems, must be documented in the application package submitted. Grants will be awarded for a continuous 36 month period, contingent upon the re-appropriation of the funds.

Awards will be made according to a rating system and criteria contained in the Request for Applications (RFA), which will be issued in mid-October 1997. It is anticipated that the deadline for receipt of applications will be mid-November 1997.

For further information regarding the Request for Applications contact:

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Information concerning the forthcoming RFA and the text of the entire RFA will be available on the Department's web page http://www.adp.cahwnet.gov.drugcourt as it is developed.

Sincerely,

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